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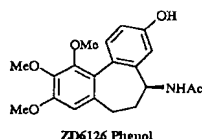
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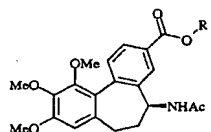
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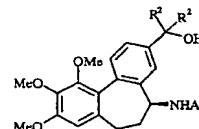
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(II)

(57) Abstract: A process for the preparation of ZD6126 Phenol (1) from allocolchicine or an ester derivative thereof of formula (I), or from a ZD6126 Alcohol of the Formula (II) wherein R¹ and R² are as defined in the description. Also claimed are intermediates, processes for their preparation and the use of the intermediates in the manufacture of ZD6126 Phenol.

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